--- "Series of 1880-81" - TOBACCO - Montreal Division - 3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) ---

--- With *W. H. Entry No. ..... / J. L. Vincent* **in the central panel - 238 x 20 mm ---**

Chris Ryan reports that *J. L. Vincent* replaced *Dunbar Browne* as Collector at Montreal on May 1st 1879.

John McKay records that 385,670 *lithographed* copies of 1-5th "Red Tobacco" were 'Delivered' under the **3rd BABN Contract** (1878-1886). He has grouped the 1880-81 Division "Open" and Division "Specific" stamps.

McKay further records that 83,591 *lithographed* copies of 1/5 lb. "Red Ribbon Tobacco" were 'Delivered' under the **4th BABN Contract** (1886-1892), which was mostly reserved for *obsolete* BABN production 'Delivered' to the Department in February / March 1888. As of July 1st 1883, all red warehousing strips had been declared *obsolete*.

3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) -	385,670
4th BABN Contract (1886-1892) -	83,591
	469,261

The final 'upper-limit' control number on the 1/5th pound red TOBACCO strips - as collected to date

Division Open	**015065**
Hamilton Division	**016551**
Montreal Division	**173206**
Quebec Division	**019106**
Toronto Division	**019798**
Windsor Division	**043018**
Windsor Division - G 33	**100696**
	387,440

The catalogue lists the 1/5th pound, red, Montreal Division, TOBACCO warehousing strip as follows:

RP-183 - 1/5th pound, red, perforated 12, Montreal Division, on *block wmkd* vertical mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls
RP-183a - 1/5th pound, red, perforated 12, Montreal Division, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls

The collection ***does not contain*** a copy of **RP-183n** - the *control-free* perforated 1/5th pound "Montreal" Division strip lithographed in red ink on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove - **WANTED!**

RP-183an - 1/5th pound, red, perforated 12, Montreal Division, *without* control numbering,
Lithographed on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper

--- RP-183 - *perforated 12* - on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls - scanned at 67% scale ---

RP-183 - 1/5th pound, red, perforated 12, Montreal Division, control number **015075**,
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper, used by Licensee No. *16*,
With W.H. Entry No. *4863*, stamped **CANCELLED** in 8 mm. violet Roman letters

013353	RP-183	1/5th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh, W. H. Entry No. *6970*, by Licensee No. *16*
015075★	RP-183	1/5th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh, W. H. Entry No. *4863*, by Licensee No. *16*
023585	RP-183	1/5th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh, W. H. Entry No. *2238*, by Licensee No. *16*
023785	RP-183	1/5th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh, W. H. Entry No. *2238*, by Licensee No. *16*

--- RP-183a - *perforated 12* - on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls - scanned at 67% scale ---

RP-183a - 1/5th pound, red, perforated 12, Montreal Division, control number **170037**,
Lithographed on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper

RP-183a - 1/5th pound, red, perforated 12, Montreal Division, control number **172924**,
Lithographed on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper
Stamped **CANCELLED** in 3 mm. violet Gothic letters - a suspect CP strip

169799	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
169819	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
169834	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
169850	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
170009	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
172022	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
170037★	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
170201	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
170207	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
170213	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
170251	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
170257	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
170292	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
172911★	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
172924★	RP-183a CP	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh - suspect
172938	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
172972	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
173003	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
173004	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
173007	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
173206	RP-183a	1/5th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh

The following *imperforate* strip is a remnant, probably residue from the second TOBACCO section of the **4th BABN Contract**. It has been scissor-clipped from an imperforate unfinished sheet. Since it was not a production item, I feel that it is preferable to simply list it without a separate catalogue number.

1/5th pound, red, *imperforate*, Montreal Division, *without* control numbering,
Lithographed on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper

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